

HEBER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
1078 Dogwood Rd., Suite 104
Heber, CA, 92249

Thursday, January 16, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

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1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Heber Public Utility District was held at the District's meeting room and called to order at 6:00 pm by President Margie Lizarraga.

2. ROLL CALL:

Directors present at roll call: Diahna Garcia-Ruiz, Tony Sandoval, Margie Lizarraga, and Eduardo Valdez-Belmonte. Also present were General Manager, Laura G. Fischer; Office Manager, Rafaela M. Sanchez; Finance Manager, Graciela Lopez; and General Counsel Steve Walker. Director Escobedo arrived at 6:20 pm.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Margie Lizarraga.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Approval of Agenda was made by Director Valdez-Belmonte, seconded by Director Sandoval.

Motion approved by a vote of 4/0.

5. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/COMMENT:

The Board may set time limits on the amount of time any speaker can use to address the Board. Members of the public are allowed to make comments about anything not listed on the agenda. If the comments concern an agenda item, they must wait until that item is up for discussion. If you wish to address the Board, please fill out a "Request to Speak Form" and hand it to the Clerk of the Board and when recognized by the President of the Board, go to the podium and address the Board. The Board can't take action on any item not on the agenda.

Mr. Clemente Solorzano who resides at 81 W Hawk St. approached the Board about the possibility of having basketball courts along with lighting at our parks. He indicated that he would like to move forward with this and was willing to volunteer his time and help in any way possible. General Manager, Laura Fischer said she would get a cost estimate to build a basketball court and also the operation and maintenance cost involved and report at the February meeting. The Board thanked Mr. Solorzano for his community involvement.

6. CONSENT AGENDA: Any item on the Consent Agenda may be removed and placed under New Business at the request of any Board Member or member of the Public.

- A. Approval of Minutes for the regular meeting on December 19, 2013
- B. Current Demands for December 2013

Steve Walker stated that Senate Bill 751 requires that all motions must be approved by Roll Call.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Director Garcia-Ruiz, seconded by Director Valdez-Belmonte.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga, E. Valdez-Belmonte

NOES: None

ABSENT: S. Escobedo

7. REPORTS:

- A. Operations Report for December 2013
- B. President and Director's Comments
Director Garcia-Ruiz – Reported that tomorrow at 11:00 am was the grand opening of Heber General Store – 56 E. Main St. in Heber
- C. General Manager's Report
Information was provided to the Board.

8. NEW BUSINESS: Discussion and Possible Action

- A. Adopt Resolution 2014-1 to Initiate the Establishment of a Cost Recovery Ordinance Effecting All New Development Within the District Boundary and Sphere of Influence to Ensure Adequate Mitigation of all Impacts on or to the Level of Service and/or Capacity of the Heber Public Utility District – General Manager

Motion to Adopt Resolution 2014-1 to Initiate the Establishment of a Cost Recovery Ordinance Effecting All New Development Within the District Boundary and Sphere of Influence to Ensure Adequate Mitigation of all Impacts on or to the Level of Service and/or Capacity of the Heber Public Utility District was made by Director Garcia-Ruiz, seconded by Director Valdez-Belmonte.
Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga, E. Valdez-Belmonte, S. Escobedo
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

9. OLD BUSINESS:

None

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Board of Supervisors meets every Tuesday @ 8:30 am 940 W Main St., El Centro
- B. ACWA'S Twice-Monthly Newsletter
- C. CSDA's Bi-Monthly Newsletter

11. CLOSED SESSION:

Motion to go into Closed Session at 6:54 pm was made by Director Garcia-Ruiz, seconded by Director Escobedo.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga, E. Valdez-Belmonte , S. Escobedo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Conference with Legal Counsel - Potential Litigation

Government Code Section 54956.9 (b)

The meeting was called back to open session at 7:29 pm. No reportable action was taken.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm was made by Director Valdez-Belmonte, seconded by Director Garcia-Ruiz.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga, E. Valdez-Belmonte, S. Escobedo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Minutes for the Regular Meeting for January 16, 2014 were prepared by Rafaela M. Sanchez – Office Manager